

***Amendment to the Claims:***

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application.

1-13. (Canceled)

14-23. (Canceled)

24. (Currently Amended) A gel composition comprising:

- a) carboxymethylcellulose from 0.01 to ~~10.0~~ 2.0%;
- b) propylene glycol from ~~0.001 to 50.0~~ 5.0 to 20.0%;
- c) methylparaben from ~~0.001 to 3.0~~ 0.1 to 1.0%; and
- d) 4-nerolidylcatechol from 0.005 to 20.0%.

25-26. (Canceled)

27. (Currently Amended) A gel composition according to claim[[s]] 24, wherein said composition is presented for topical use.

28. (Currently Amended) A method of treating skin photodamage, cutaneous aging and/or skin cancer comprising topically ~~administration of a gel of the composition:~~  
administering a gel composition comprising:

- a) carboxymethylcellulose from 0.01 to ~~10.0~~ 2.0%;
- b) propylene glycol from ~~0.001 to 50.0~~ 5.0 % to 20.0%;
- c) methylparaben from ~~0.001 to 3.0~~ 0.1 to 1.0%; and
- d) 4-nerolidylcatechol from 0.005 to 20.0%[[.]] ;

wherein said gel composition is topically applied to the skin of an animal in need thereof.

29-30. (Canceled)